

### AN ESTIMABLE LADY GONE

#### Death Claims Mrs. Jennie L. Taber, a Former Resident of Dillon. Widely Connected in the State.

Mrs. Jennie L. Taber, who for several years resided in Dillon, died at her home in Columbia Sunday morning after an illness of several weeks. Mrs. Taber was a most estimable woman and during her residence here she made many friends by whom she is greatly mourned. Her son, Dr. C. R. Taber, and his wife have been at her bedside for several days awaiting the final summons which the attending physicians said was inevitable. She was a woman of remarkably fine personality and was a delightful and charming conversationalist. She was reared in those days when southern chivalry was in its full bloom and in culture and deportment she was a distinct type of the "Old South." The Columbia State contains the following notice of her death:

"Mrs. Jennie L. Taber, widow of the late Dr. Chas. Rhett Taber died yesterday morning after an illness of several weeks at her home on Pendleton street. Mrs. Taber was 58 years of age and was widely connected throughout the State. She is survived by eight children, Dr. C. R. Taber of Dillon, Miss W. R. Taber of Columbus, Ga., Mr. J. B. Taber of this city, Capt. Knowlton Taber, now in the army service in the Philippine islands, Mrs. Crawford of this city, Misses Frances and May Taber also city.

Mrs. Taber spent most of her life at Fort Motte but moved to Columbia about three years ago. She had a large circle of friends. She was a member of the Washington Street Methodist Church, the Hampton chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy and the American Revolution. The funeral will be held at 6 o'clock, Washington Street Methodist church, and interment will be held at Wood cemetery.

#### Dog is Held as Witness.

A white dog is today held in the Cobb county jail with an entry on the blotter that he is a "material witness" in an assault case. In the eyes of the least, this imprisonment is no element of jest, for the dog is believed to be the animal which accompanied a negro who assaulted Mrs. Exy Willard Webb, a negro, in Atlanta charged with the murder of a white man. The dog will continue to be held until the case is decided. Mrs. Brown identified the dog.

Mrs. Brown identified the dog. She was surprised at the number of trains passing through every 24 hours. The average is 45 trains every 24 hours. The gentleman came from a branch line. There is a living on a through line in touch with the other branch line.

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### NEW COUNTY SITUATION.

There have been no developments in the New County situation since the last issue of The Herald. The situation is about the same as that explained in last week's paper. The governor has selected the surveyor who will test the accuracy of Messrs. Hamby and Beatty's figures by running lines across the county but it is not known when he will begin work. On the other hand Messrs. Hamby and Beatty are standing by their report and feel confident that the new survey will not reduce the area of Marion to less than 900 square miles. The New County advocates also have an abundance of faith in the accuracy of the report made by the official surveyors and the general opinion is that another survey is but another move of the opposition to gain time and to establish grounds for a contest in the supreme court. From present indications it seems that the fight will end in the supreme court anyway for the reason that the opposition would not be content with a report from the new surveyor were it to show that Messrs. Hamby and Beatty were right, and there is no reason to believe the advocates of the New County would quietly accept as final the report of the new surveyor were it to show that Messrs. Hamby and Beatty were wrong. And so there the matter rests. Anyway you look at the situation there is every prospect of a legal battle in the higher courts before the question can be submitted to the people. It reminds one of the editor who wrote of a departed warrior as "A battle-scarred veteran," and when the printer inserted an "o" in the place of an "a" in the word "battle" there were lots of law-suits and swearing before the matter was ended. The New County seems to be facing just such a situation.

### BULL MOOSE FOUGHT TO DEATH.

Horns Became Interlocked and Animals Starved as Result.

Seattle, August 3—A story of a battle to the death between two giant moose in the isolated regions of the Kenai Peninsular, Alaska, has come to light with many other interesting stories in connection with the exhibits in the Alaska building at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition.

Two moose horns locked together, the largest measuring 61 inches from tip to tip, tell the story of the battle. It is evident that the animals were engaged in mortal combat and their horns became interlocked. They were unable to release themselves and died together of starvation.

The skull and the horns were found by one of the number of mining parties which visited that country and were sent to the exposition as a curiosity.

There is another pair of locked horns, only smaller in size, that were found near Fairbanks, Alaska.

#### Mary's Little Pet.

Mary had a little rat,  
She wore it in her hair;  
And every where that Mary went  
That rat was sure to go.

Mary had a speckled hen  
That was a market booster;  
Every-day Spec laid an egg—  
But at night she was a rooster.

Mary had a brother John,  
Who worried her a lot;  
For every time she had a beau  
He was Johnny on the spot.

—Chicago News.

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### VICTIM OF TYPHOID.

Peculiarly sad was the death of Mr. Henry Davis which occurred at his home near Little Rock Saturday night at 11 o'clock. The sad news was brought to town Sunday morning and was quite a shock to Mr. Davis' many Dillon friends. The deceased had been ill about two weeks with typhoid fever and was on the road to recovery when he took a relapse and expired before those in attendance were scarcely aware of the seriousness of his condition.

Since the death of his grandmother, Mrs. Patsy Sherwood, which occurred several months ago Mr. Davis had been living at the old home place alone. When stricken with the fever he was given the best of medical attention and a nurse was provided to administer to his wants, but despite all the precautions that were taken the disease got such a hold upon him that at last his constitution had to yield to its ravages.

He was a most exemplary young man. In disposition he was modest and retiring, but withal candid and firm in his dealings with his fellow-man. In worldly affairs he was temperate almost to excess, living quietly on his farm and enjoying the fruits of his labors in the free, open-hearted, unostentatious manner that always manifested itself in his associations with the world. In Dillon where he was so well liked he will be greatly mourned.

Of his immediate family he is survived by one brother, Mr. R. S. Davis, of Clio, his parents having preceded him to the grave many years ago.

#### Dr. Davis Entertains.

Dr. Joe Cabell Davis was host to a small party of friends at a birthday dinner last Friday evening from 9 till 12. The spread consisted of six courses and was served in regal style. At the conclusion of the feast the evening was spent in pleasant social intercourse while the guests indulged themselves in all the pleasures to be found in the fragrant Havana. Every feature of the occasion was so delightful that the guests were loath to depart, but each one went away expressing the conviction that their genial host could not have been happier, or more free, open-hearted or jovial in his hospitality if the occasion had marked the 22nd. instead of the 52nd. anniversary of his birth. Those who enjoyed the hospitality of Dr. Davis on this occasion were Messrs. C. T. O'Ferral, J. D. Manning, N. B. Hargrove, J. F. Thompson, J. B. Gibson, Blake McIntyre, J. M. Sprunt and A. B. Jordan.

William Smith, alias "Bill," alias "Honest Nigger," a well-known colored character who has been associated with every interest of Dillon since the birth of the town, was arrested last Saturday charged with retailing the "oh, be joyful." A date for the hearing of the case has not been set, but Bill has been so industriously at work "splaining" his side of the matter to the "white buckra who has knowed him sense he could crawl" that it will hardly be necessary for him to rehash the points of the defense at the trial. Bill protests his innocence loudly and vociferously.

#### Scholarship Awards Made.

Marion, July 28.—Special: As a result of the recent competitive examination held by the county board of education, Mr. S. Blondel Altman, of the town of Marion, was awarded the scholarship in the University of South Carolina, and Mr. Reuben Moody, of Dillon, won the one in the College of Charleston. The result of the examinations for the Clemson and Winthrop College scholarships has not yet been announced by the board.

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### ON A CAPITAL OF \$1.25

#### Wholesale Business Built Up in to Years by Two Women.

Two Philadelphia women of German descent have built up in less than ten years an extensive wholesale business as the result of an original investment in stocks that took a capital of exactly \$1.25.

The stocks are not of the kind that are listed on exchanges or dealt in on the curb, but the kind that women wear about their necks. One of the women was somewhat listlessly making a stock for her own adornment one day when she suddenly exclaimed:

"I wish I could make some money."

"Why not do for pay what you are now doing for amusement?" said a friend who sat by.

The idea took. The young woman and a cousin bought \$1.50 worth of material, made several stocks and had no difficulty in selling them.

That was the beginning of a business that has since occupied the whole time of both partners. For a while one of them, who drew pretty well, was the designer of the firm. As business grew it was more economical to employ a well-paid designer, who could give his whole time to that part of the work.

By this time the partners had begun to employ girls to do the actual making of the stocks. At first the work was done by a few girls in Philadelphia. The number of employees increased and it became good business to establish branch houses, for by this time the trade of the partners was wholesale instead of retail. Houses were established in Baltimore, New York, Chicago, St. Louis, and the business went on growing.

By this time the two partners gave themselves wholly to the management of the business and the purchase of materials. They now go twice a year to Europe to study models and buy materials; they have several well-paid designers, and the persistence of the fashion of wearing stocks has kept the business constantly active and profitable.

Success also has given the partners confidence, and they feel that they are not at the mercy of the capricious Parisian milliners, who set the modes of the world. If women quit wearing stocks the partners will in turn take up something else.

Meanwhile the partners have had a busy and happy life, with an almost constantly increasing income and a broadening horizon. They have built for themselves a comfortable home in the upper part of Philadelphia, and they see almost every year a good deal more of the European world.

They had no more expectation of a business career 10 years ago than a hundred thousand other girls in their native city.—New York Sun.

#### Aged Woman Suicides.

Mrs. Jno. A. McMillan, aged about 70 years, committed suicide at her home near Mullins last week by taking carbolic acid. Mrs. McMillan said she was not feeling well and retired to her room on the pretence of taking a nap, telling her daughters not to arouse her for dinner. Instead of going to her own room she went to a company room and sometime later she was found unconscious. A messenger was sent to Mullins for medical assistance, but a physician could not be found and Mrs. McMillan died without regaining consciousness. No other reason except ill health could be assigned for the rash act.

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### How Fire Hurts the Fields.

Of course, the greatest loss sustained through the burning of vegetable matter which should be mixed with the soil, is the loss of the humus-forming materials; but the actual loss in plant food is also worthy of serious consideration. The phosphorus and potassium contained in the vegetable matter are not destroyed by burning, for these mineral plant foods remain in the ashes; but the nitrogen which our soils need most is driven off into the air and lost.

We repeat that the greatest loss is the destruction of the humus-forming materials, but let us see just what the loss of nitrogen amounts to when a ton of crabgrass, broomsedge, or cornstalks is burned. If the material burned be Japan clover or other legumes, the loss of nitrogen is much greater. A ton of crabgrass hay contains about 25 pounds of nitrogen, and this is worth 20 cents a pound, which gives it a value of \$4.40. A ton of crabgrass hay, and frequently much more than a ton of crabgrass and other materials equally rich in nitrogen, is often burned off each acre. That is, for each acre we burn over we may easily destroy \$4.40 worth of the very plant food our soils need most.

We are slow to accept such statements as facts, because the plowing under of these materials does not give immediate evidence of any such value to be obtained from the plowing under of such a quantity of corn stover or crabgrass. That is, more benefit to the first succeeding crop would be obtained from the application of \$4.00 worth of cottonseed meal than from plowing under a ton of corn stalks. This is undoubtedly so, but the effects of plowing under humus-forming materials are not alone measured by the nitrogen they contain, and are not limited to the first year. It is this working for immediate results alone that has brought our soils to that degree of infertility represented by an average yield of 200 pounds of lint cotton and 15 bushels of corn per acre. No rich land ever became suddenly unproductive; nor can a depleted soil be economically built up to a high degree of fertility in one or two years. From these facts we should learn that farming lands for this year's results exclusively, while sometimes necessary, if persisted in is certain to lead to soil depletion and finally to agricultural and financial bankruptcy.

Progressive Farmer.

#### Why She Named the Lamp for Him.

A prominent young man of \*\*\* recently presented his better half with a handsome piano lamp on her birthday. He was flattered when she told him that she intended to give it his name, until he asked her reasons for so peculiar proceeding. "Well," she said, "you know, dear, it has a good deal of brass about it, it is handsome to look at, requires a good deal of attention, is remarkably brilliant, is sometimes unsteady on its legs, liable to explode when only half full, flares up occasionally, it is always out at bedtime and is bound to smoke."—Selected.

"I think I shall marry him to reform him," said the romantic girl.

"I have seen that experiment tried," rejoined Miss Cayenne.

"Successfully?"

"Well, I won't say the men were reformed. But they always seemed more or less repentant and dissatisfied."

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### Free State News.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bundy, of Clio, spent Thursday and Friday with their aunt, Mrs. M. A. Eilen.

Mr. J. P. Rogers returned Saturday from Columbia, where he has been taking a business course.

Mrs. J. J. Tolar of Latta visited Mrs. J. W. Rowland Friday.

Mr. D. L. Cottingham of Florence spent Friday with relatives here.

Mr. Walter Pate of Bennettsville, was a visitor in our neighborhood Saturday.

Miss Ada Hays is spending some time with relatives in and around Clio.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Ferguson have gone to house keeping near Dillon where Mr. Ferguson has a position at Bethea's saw mill.

Miss Edith Allen of Dillon is visiting the family of her uncle, Mr. W. B. Allen.

Miss Bertha Fenegan of Clio spent a few days this week with relatives in Free State.

We are sorry to report Mr. Andrew LeGette on the sick list this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Z. A. Ellen of Dillon were visiting out here last Wednesday.

### Bermuda Briefs.

Hot dry weather is the talk of the people of this section just now and much needed rain.

General health of this section is very good at this writing and no marriages to report just now.

A good many of our people attended service at Pleasant Hill Sunday last.

Mr. S. F. Stephens paid a visit to Columbia last week on business.

Mr. S. W. Stephens of this place was visiting at the home of his son Mr. L. B. Stephens, Sunday P. M.

M. B. McKenzie of Kemper paid a flying visit to this section last Sunday.

Dock Bullock and wife of Gaddy section spent last Sunday at the home of the latter's aunt, Mrs. Amantha Moody, of this place.

We are still listening for the wedding bells to ring in this community and expect to hear them soon.

Mr. Mac Sparkman and sister of the old north state were visiting at the home of T. T. Moody Sunday last.

### Maple Dots.

Mr. George Powers and daughter, Miss Mattie, of Abbottsburg, N. C., are visiting relatives in this section.

Supt. of Education Joe P. Lane was in this section last week.

Mr. N. C. Dove of Rockfish, N. C., spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in this section.

Mr. John Moody of the Mt. Calvary section spent Saturday in these parts.

Verney Lane was in this section last week.

Mr. Godbolt of the Calvary section attended preaching at Pleasant Grove Sunday.

There was a bad runaway at Mr. J. D. Dove's one day last week. While the horse was pulling a crate of tobacco an automobile passed. He got frightened and after it passed the driver slapped the horse with the lines and he began to run, getting lose from the driver, outran the automobile and ran into the river swamps.

### HE LOST HIS NERVE ANYWAY.

A Whitchita man was fussing because of his aching teeth.

"Why don't you go to a dentist?" asked one of his friends.

"Oh, I haven't got the nerve," was the reply.

"Never mind that," replied the friend, "the dentist will find the nerve all right.—Kansas City Star.

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